

**COBB COUNTY WATER SYSTEM
RATES, CHARGES, AND FEES
EFFECTIVE DATE: JANUARY 1, 2012**

MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGE

The monthly service charge is assessed by meter size. This charge is to recover administrative, customer service, billing and meter-related costs, bond interest and some depreciation expenses. This fee is billed to all active accounts and does not include consumption.

METER SIZE	RESIDENTIAL	NON-RESIDENTIAL	IRRIGATION
5/8" & 3/4"	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$19.00
1"	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$22.00
1 1/2"		\$26.00	\$41.00
2"		\$45.00	\$63.00
3"		\$66.00	\$120.00
4"		\$99.60	\$185.00
6"		\$206.40	\$325.00
8"		\$321.60	\$450.00
10"		\$463.20	\$650.00
12"		\$463.20	\$800.00

FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

This fee is for water availability on demand for fire protection. It is associated with DDC and backflow devices and other metering devices for fire protection. This is typically for commercial facilities where domestic water demands are low, but must have fire flow capacity available to meet fire code.

LINE SIZE	DOUBLE CHECK DETECTOR ASSEMBLIES	DOMESTIC OR FIRE METERS	UNMETERED FIRE LINES
5/8" & 3/4"		\$19.00	
1"		\$19.00	
1 1/2"		\$19.00	
2"		\$24.00	
3"		\$32.00	
4"		\$40.00	
6"	\$50.00	\$151.00	\$200.00
8"	\$60.00	\$201.00	\$250.00
10"	\$80.00	\$251.00	\$300.00
12"	\$110.00		\$350.00

COMMODITY CHARGES

The commodity charges are for the recovery of costs associated with water purchases and distribution or wastewater collection and treatment expenses. These are billed to the consumer on a per thousand gallon basis. Wastewater charges are billed equal to metered water use.

RETAIL RATES

RESIDENTIAL WATER	Tier 1 (1,000-3,000)	\$2.83 per 1,000 gallons
	Tier 2 (4,000-15,000)	\$4.36 per 1,000 gallons
	Tier 3 (16,000-29,000)	\$5.43 per 1,000 gallons
	Tier 4 (30,000-49,000)	\$6.36 per 1,000 gallons
	Tier 5 (50,000 and above)	\$8.25 per 1,000 gallons
NON- RESIDENTIAL WATER		\$4.28 per 1,000 gallons
IRRIGATION WATER		\$8.25 per 1,000 gallons
WASTEWATER		\$5.41 per 1,000 gallons

WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNT DEPOSIT CHARGES

RESIDENTIAL ACCOUNTS	Single Family	\$50.00*
	Multi-Family	\$50.00* each unit
NON- RESIDENTIAL ACCOUNTS	Commercial	\$50.00*
	Restaurants	\$200.00*
	Hotel, Motel, Apts.	\$50.00* each unit
* Or equal to 2 months bill, whichever is greater		

IRRIGATION METER DEPOSITS	METER SIZE	DEPOSIT
	1"	\$200.00
	1 1/2"	\$400.00
	2"	\$600.00
	3"	\$1,100.00
	4"	\$1,600.00
	6"	\$3,400.00
	8"	\$5,300.00
	10"	\$7,700.00

Customer deposits are refundable upon 24 months of continuous excellent payment history. If the account becomes delinquent, another deposit will be required to be reinstated

OTHER CHARGES AND CREDITS

SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT	(\$7.00) per month	
To qualify the customer must be 65 years of age or older and have a gross annual income of less than \$14,710 annually (2011). This figure will be updated annually with HHS Poverty Index		

HIGH SERVICE AREA CHARGE	\$7.00 per month	
A service charge for the customers that have water service in one of the identified high service area districts. This is to recover costs associated with having water available for potable and fire protection uses in these districts.		

WATER RETENTION CREDIT	Commercial, industrial, or institutional users of wastewater system will only be billed for wastewater service equal to the pre-determined percentage of water which is returned to the wastewater system. This credit is typically used in situations of product manufacturing or loss through evaporation (chillers or boilers).	

SEPTAGE DISPOSAL FEE	\$10.00 per 100 gallons Maximum \$100.00 Per Load ¹		
¹ This is the amount billed for septage delivered to our wastewater plants for treatment and disposal. Method of billing is pending adjustment for septage receiving system.			
INDUSTRIAL SURCHARGE RATES	BOD	Above 250 mg/l	\$0.0936
	TSS	Above 275 mg/l	\$0.1752
	NH3 (AMMONIA)	Above 15 mg/l	\$0.9934
	PHOS	Above 7.5 mg/l	\$1.7482
	Computation: Measured Strength (mg/l) - High Strength Limit (mg/l) x Wastewater Volume (millions of gallons) x 8.34 (conversion factor) x High Strength surcharge (\$ per pound).		

FIRE HYDRANT METER RENTAL	DEPOSIT	\$1,000
	SERVICE FEE	\$20.00/meter
	WATER	\$8.25/1,000 gallons
	DAILY RENTAL	\$5.00

METER CONNECTION AND TAP FEES

WATER METER CONNECTION FEES				
WATER METER SIZE	DOMESTIC METER INSTALLATION ONLY (DROP IN METER)	SERVICE LINE & DOMESTIC METER INSTALLATION	IRRIGATION INSTALLED WITH DOMESTIC METER	IRRIGATION METER INSTALLATION ONLY ¹
3/4" x 3/4"	\$525.00	\$1,650.00	\$1,200.00	
1"	\$830.00	\$1,700.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,800.00
1 1/2"	\$1,200.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,950.00
2"		\$1,950.00	\$1,850.00	\$2,250.00
3"		\$4,000.00	\$2,680.00	\$4,250.00
4"		\$4,500.00	\$3,570.00	\$4,700.00
6"		\$10,000.00	\$9,370.00	\$11,000.00
8"		\$14,000.00	\$12,220.00	\$12,220.00
10"		\$19,500.00	\$17,960.00	\$17,960.00
12"		\$24,000.00		
¹ If a new long-side service is required, then all of the costs associated with the service line will be charged in addition to the irrigation meter fee.				
RESIDENTIAL WATER LINE FEE (County Installed Water Mains Only)			\$1,000.00	
COMMERCIAL WATER LINE FEE			\$25.00 per foot (100 ft. minmum) Churches \$1,000.00	

Typical Water Meter Installations:

1. Developer installed water distribution system: water meter installation fee (by meter size) + Deposit
2. CCWS Installed distribution system: water meter installation fee (by meter size) + Water line fee (defined by type of installations) + Deposit

DOUBLE CHECK DETECTOR ASSEMBLIES (DCDA)			DEPOSITS
6"	\$7,500.00		\$125.00
8"	\$9,500.00		\$150.00
10"	\$14,500.00		\$200.00
Add deposit and applicable water line fee. This is a backflow prevention device.			

WASTEWATER CONNECTION FEES

The System Development Fee is based on Equivalent Residential Units (ERU). A typical residential house = one ERU = 400 gallons per day

Fee	Rate
Typical Residential SDF	
Regional	\$2,400.00
Non-Regional	\$500.00
Willeo Basin SDF	\$2,900.00 per ERU
Sewer Extension Fee	\$2,300 per connection plus SDF
Special Sewer Assessment Area Fee	Fee as defined in table below plus SDF
Residential Sewer Tap Installation Fee	\$1,100.00
Convenience Sewer Tap Installation Fee	Actual cost to CCWS
Commercial SDF	All Commercial SDFs are calculated by CCWS Engineering Division.
SPECIAL SEWER ASSESSMENT AREAS	
Clark Creek Area Sewer Assessment	\$1,500.00 per acre/less floodplain
Due West Area Sewer Assessment	\$2,200.00 per acre/less floodplain
Elmwood Extension Sewer Assessment	\$1,500.00 per acre
Flint Hill Sewer Assessment Area	Area # 1 - \$600.00 per acre Area # 2 - \$2,900.00 per acre
Hartman Road	\$2,400.00 per acre
Liberty Hill Sewer Assessment	\$14,200.00 per acre
Old Highway 41 Sewer Assessment	\$13,000.00 per acre
Vinings Library Outfall Sewer Assessment	\$3,000.00 per acre
Winifred Drive Sewer Assessment	\$9,000.00 per acre
Woodland Brook	\$23,300.00 per lot
SPECIAL WATER ASSESSMENT AREAS	
Lost Mountain High Service Water Assessment	\$3,000.00 per ERU
Sweat Mountain High Service Water Assessment	\$3,000 per ERU
Brushy Mountain High Service Water Assessment	Within Contracted area \$681.00 per single family residence (Shiloh Valley S/D, Phase I & II and the Columns at Shiloh Valley Apartments) Outside Contracted area: \$4,000 per acre

SERVICE CHARGES

Water Service ≤ 4" Service Establishment	\$25.00 per trip
Water Service ≥ 6" Service Establishment	\$50.00 per trip
Water Service Transfer to New Location	\$25.00
Same Day Service Request Fee (Water turn-on)	\$25.00
Service Termination Recheck	\$25.00
Water Running Recheck	\$25.00
Weekend Service Turn-on Fee	\$75.00
Late Fee	\$10.00
Processing Fee - Delinquent Accounts (Dispatched)	\$50.00
Surcharge Same Day Restoration after 6 PM - Delinquent	\$75.00
Returned Checks	\$30.00
Broken Lock and Cap (Delinquent Accounts)	\$30.00
Reinstall Pulled Water Meter (Delinquent Accounts)	\$50.00
Lost / Stolen / Damaged Meter	\$300.00
Meter Testing / Reading Verification ¹	\$25.00
¹ Fee may be assessed for excessive verifications of accurate readings.	

UNAUTHORIZED WATER USE

	<p>Customer is notified to apply for water service.</p> <p>Penalty for theft is \$250.00 plus estimated usage at irrigation rate</p> <p>Citizen is also subject to prosecution of misdemeanor with penalty up to \$500.00 or 6 months imprisonment.</p>
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UNAUTHORIZED WATER USE DURING CURTAILMENT BAN

	This is for the enforcement of customers violating the outdoor watering ban and conservation policies per code section 122-61 and 122-84(k)	
	First Violation	Customer is provided or it will be posted on the property a written notice of violation.
	Second Violation (same property)	\$100.00
	Third Violation (same property)	\$250.00
	Fourth Violation and all others (same property)	\$500.00 Service Disconnect

UNAUTHORIZED DOMESTIC WASTEWATER USE

	<p>Customer is notified to apply for service and to pay connection fees.</p> <p>Penalty for theft of service is \$250.00 plus estimated usage</p> <p>Citizen is also subject to prosecution of misdemeanor with penalty up to \$500.00 or 6 months imprisonment</p>
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GOVERNMENT RATES

These rates apply only to local government customers with a wholesale wastewater contract with Cobb County Water System.

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	Meter Size	Government
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	4"	\$99.60
	6"	\$206.40
	8"	\$321.60
	10"	\$463.20
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GOVERNMENTAL RATES CONTRACT		
	Wastewater	\$4.22 per 1,000 gallons
	Fulton County <10.32 MGD	\$2.28 per 1,000 gallons (Per Contractual Agreement)
	Fulton County > 10.32 MGD	\$4.22 per 1,000 gallons (Per Contractual Agreement)

LEAK CREDIT GUIDELINES

Residential customers may be eligible for a credit on wastewater charges on water lost through a system leak or a damaged pool, subject to certain conditions. Customers may receive a credit no more than once annually and are required to submit documentation of repairs. The credit, if awarded, is based on no more than two billing periods and calculated from the difference between the subject period and 150% of the use for the same period during the previous year. Non-residential users are generally not eligible for credit, unless the leak is catastrophic resulting in usage exceeding 400% of use during the same period the previous year. The Water System has established a committee to evaluate requests. The leak credit policy is included in this rate schedule for approval as part of the schedule of rates and fees.